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REPORT**



of the

Medical Officer of Health
for the Year 1953



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Comments.

There was an unpleasant rise in the death-rate among babies in Maltby for the year. It would be easy to find explanations for this in the larger number of delicate premature babies born and in the number of children born with congenital defects, but the fact remains that other districts in the County do not lose so many children in proportion to their births. A third of the infant deaths in Maltby were from causes which could reasonably be described as avoidable so that persistent instruction by everyone concerned in infant welfare is required to bring the district standards up to a respectable level.

High infant death-rates are usually associated with increased illness among babies so that the subject is of wider significance than first appears. I have heard it suggested that the care of babies is now of such a high standard that the infant welfare clinics could safely be reduced in numbers. That position may apply to other parts of the country. It certainly does not apply to Maltby.

The respiratory and tuberculosis rates are rather higher in the district than in the rest of the County. This means that every possible encouragement should be given to the surveys made by mass-radiography and to schemes which promote the welfare of tuberculosis patients. The Council could not do more than they have done in the past five years in encouraging attendances at mass-radiography sessions, in allocating new Council houses for tuberculosis cases and in assisting the Tuberculosis Care Committee. I have commented upon these items because I hope that other people, who can help, will do so.

The Home Nursing and Home Help Services were extended considerably during the year.

Unfortunately no progress was made in starting up a school dental service. The private dentists provide free treatment for children but, in spite of this, large numbers of children leave school each year who have never seen a dentist throughout their lives. The medical examination in school show the results of this neglect.

I have no comment to make upon the Sanitary Section of the report prepared by Mr. Oddy, except to say that this work in the district reaches a high standard of efficiency.

J. M. WATT,

Medical Officer of Health.

Council Offices,

Maltby, near Rotherham.

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GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in acres	...	...	...	...	4,788
Population (estimated mid. 1953)	...	...	...	...	12,990
No. of inhabited houses	...	...	...	...	3,440
Rateable value	...	...	...	...	£50,774
Product of penny rate	...	...	...	£201	15s. 11d.

EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births.

			Males	Females	Total
Legitimate	...	...	136	107	243
Illegitimate	...	...	7	5	12
TOTAL	...	...	143	112	255

Crude birth rate per 1,000 population: 19·6.
Adjusted birth rate per 1,000 population: 19·6.
Comparability factor: 1·0.

Stillbirths.

Total stillbirths: 3.
Rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths: 11·6.
Rate per 1,000 population: 0·23.

Deaths.

Total deaths: 112.
Crude death rate per 1,000 population: 8·6.
Adjusted death rate per 1,000 population: 12·3.
Comparability factor: 1·43.

Infant Deaths (under 1 year of age).

Total infant deaths: 14.
Rate per 1,000 live births: 55.

Maternal Deaths.

Total recorded: Nil.

VITAL STATISTICS

Population.

The estimated mid-1953 population of 12,990 showed an increase on the population of the previous year and on that of the 1951 census.

Births.

After adjustments for transfers, 255 births were allocated to Maltby by the Registrar-General which was 17 less than in 1952.

The crude birth rate was 19·6 per 1,000 population. With a comparability factor of 1·0, this gave a comparable rate of 19·6 per 1,000 population.

The rate for England and Wales was 15·5 per thousand. Further comparison can be made by referring to the table of comparable statistics later in this report.

One hundred and twenty births were in institutions as given on the table below :—

Institution				No. of Births
Moorgate General Hospital	...	...	...	77
Listerdale Maternity Home	...	...	...	38
Jessop Hospital, Sheffield	...	...	...	3
Fairfield Nursing Home, Chesterfield	...	...	...	1
Western Hospital, Doncaster	...	...	...	1

The percentage of births in institutions was 45 per cent.
Twelve of the births were illegitimate.

Stillbirths.

Three stillbirths were recorded during 1953. None of these was illegitimate. The number in 1952 was 11.
The stillbirth rate was 11·6 per thousand (live and still) births or ·23 per thousand population.

Deaths.

After adjustment for transfers, 112 deaths were allocated to this area in 1953. This gave a comparable rate of 12·3 per thousand of the population.
The principal causes were:—

Heart disease	...	...	...	...	...	26
Cancer	...	...	...	...	...	21
Pneumonia	...	...	...	...	...	9
Bronchitis	...	...	...	...	...	10
Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	...	4
Other ill-defined causes	...	...	...	...	...	17
Accidents and suicides	...	...	...	...	...	5

Infant Deaths.

The number of infants under one year of age, who died in 1953 and whose deaths were allocated to the Maltby area, was 14, or ·55 per thousand live births. The national rate was 26·8 per thousand live births.
The following table gives the births, infant deaths and infant death-rates over the past 10 years.

Year	Live Births	Infant Deaths	Infant Death-rates
1944	319	23	72
1945	256	16	63
1946	291	22	76
1947	308	15	49
1948	321	19	58
1949	267	19	70
1950	266	11	41
1951	268	9	33
1952	272	6	22
1953	255	14	55

In 1953 four deaths were in premature twins of 1 lb. in weight.
In three additional cases the children were 4 lbs. or less in weight.

Causes of infant deaths were:—

Prematurity	...	...	...	...	5
Broncho-pneumonia	...	...	...	...	4
Congestive heart failure	...	...	...	...	1
Atelectasis	...	...	...	...	1
White Asphyxia	...	...	...	...	1
Hæmorrhagic Disease of the newly born	...	...	...	...	1
Acute capillary bronchitis and marasmus	...	...	...	...	1

Maternal Deaths.

No women died from maternal causes.

Infectious Diseases.

The details of notified cases of infectious disease can be obtained from the following two tables.

Month	Measles	Whoop- ing Cough	Scarlet Fever	Pneu- monia	Meningo- coccal Infec- tion	Puerp- eral Pyrexia	Polio- myelitis (Para- lytic)	Erysip- elas	Food Poison- ing	Totals
January	2	2	—	1	1	—	—	—	—	6
February	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
March	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
April	7	—	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	10
May	26	—	—	2	—	1	—	—	—	29
June	89	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	90
July	53	—	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	55
August	47	5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	52
September	10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10
October	—	4	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	5
November	1	14	—	3	—	1	—	—	1	20
December	—	38	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	39
Totals ..	237	63	4	8	1	2	1	1	1	318

Disease	AGE IN YEARS								Totals
	0—1	1—5	5—15	15—25	25—45	45—65	65 & Over	Age Unknown	
Scarlet Fever	—	3	1	—	—	—	—	—	4
Pneumonia	—	—	2	—	4	2	—	—	8
Poliomyelitis (Paralytic) ..	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Meningococcal Infection ..	—	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	1
Erysipelas	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Food Poisoning	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	—	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	2	—	—	—	2
Measles	9	146	79	—	1	—	—	2	237
Whooping Cough	7	30	26	—	—	—	—	—	63

Tuberculosis.

	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
Cases on register at 1st January, 1953.	47	26	8	6
Cases added during 1953.	11	5	—	—
Cases removed during 1953.	5	1	—	1
Cases on register at 31st December, 1953. ..	53	30	8	5

The removals were as follows:—
Discharged and cured: 3.
Died: 3.
Lost sight of: 1.

National Assistance Act

Section 47—Removal of cases in need of care. No cases were removed during 1953.
Section 50—Burial of the dead. Nil.

Birth and Mortality Rates for 1953 for the West Riding Administrative County

	Maltby Urban District	Aggregate of U.D.'s	Aggregate of R.D.'s	Administrative County
Crude Birth	19·6	15·4	16·6	15·7
Adjusted Birth ...	19·6	15·5	17·3	16·0
Crude Death ...	8·6	12·5	9·3	11·6
Adjusted Death ...	12·3	12·6	10·4	12·1
Infective and Parasitic Dis. exc. tub. but inc. syphilis and other V.D.	—	0·09	0·07	0·08
Tuberculosis, Respiratory	·31	0·17	0·13	0·16
Tuberculosis, Other	—	0·02	0·02	0·02
Tuberculosis, All Forms	·31	0·19	0·15	0·18
Cancer of Lung and Bronchus	N/A	0·30	0·22	0·28
Cancer, All Forms ...	1·62	1·99	1·57	1·88
Vascular Lesions of the Nervous System	1·15	1·96	1·24	1·76
Heart and Circulatory	2·16	4·63	3·27	4·26
Respiratory Diseases	1·62	1·39	1·06	1·30
Maternal Mortality ...	—	0·38	0·81	0·51
Infant Mortality ...	54·9	27·6	33·2	29·2
Neo-Natal Mortality	31·4	17·4	21·6	18·6
Stillbirth	11·6	25·0	23·8	24·7

The following section of the report has been written by the Senior Sanitary Inspector:

Nuisance Inspections.

Total number of inspections made for nuisances only	...	...	...	...	...	94
Informal notices served for abatement of nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	63
Informal notices complied with	...	...	...	...	...	63
Satutory notices served for abatement of nuisances	...	...	...	...	...	—
Statutory notices complied with	...	...	...	...	...	—
Number of summonses or other legal proceedings	...	...	...	...	...	—

Sanitary Inspections and Visits.

Total number during year	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	513
(Note:—These exclude inspections for nuisances, housing inspections, visits under the Milk (Special Designations) Regulations, Shops Acts, Sec. 14 of Food and Drugs Act, 1938 and Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.)									

Drainage and Sewerage.

No conversion work has been effected in the rural area during the year and thus there are still 67 houses which are not connected to a public or private sewer. However, 32 of these houses have water-closet accommodation and are drained into septic tanks, cesspools or small disposal plants.

Once again the sewers proved free from rodent infestation, as the routine annual 10% test bait showed complete absence of ‘takes.’

Closet Accommodation.

Number of dwellinghouses having one W.C.	...	...	...	...	...	2,850
Number of dwellinghouses having more than one W.C.	...	...	...	...	...	555
Number of water-closets constructed for new houses	...	...	...	...	...	142
Number of closets, other than privies, reconstructed as W.C.'s	...	...	...	...	...	1
Percentage of closets on the water-carriage system	...	...	...	...	...	98·9

	Water Closets	Pail Closets	Chemical Closets	Total
Dwellinghouses	3,967	33	2	4,002
Factories	204	-	8	212
Shops	61	-	-	61
Hotels and public houses	45	-	-	45
Business premises	28	-	-	28
Public conveniences	5	-	3	8
Schools	183	-	-	183
Other premises	151	3	-	154
Totals	4,644	36	13	4,693

Water Supply.

Sources of supply (a) reservoir belonging to Sheffield Corporation, and (b) bore-hole at Austerfield belonging to the Doncaster and Tickhill Joint Water Board.

Total number of dwellinghouses in the district	...	...	...	...	...	3,440
Number of dwellinghouses on public supply	...	...	...	...	...	3,431
Number of dwellinghouses not on public supply	...	...	...	...	...	9
Samples taken—bacteriological—satisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	7
Samples taken—bateriological—unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	1
Samples taken—chemical—satisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	4
Samples taken—chemical—unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	-
Samples taken—plumbo solvency—satisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	4
Samples taken—plumbo solvency—unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	-

From the above it will be noted that only one sample taken for bacteriological examination was unsatisfactory. This was taken from the pump in the Custodian's House at Roche Abbey. Upon receipt of the report, the tenant was advised to clean the pump and boil all the water drawn. Further samples were taken and proved satisfactory.

Negotiations were completed with the Sandbeck Estate Agent regarding the provision of a mains supply to certain properties where the existing supply (i.e., pumped from wells) was unsatisfactory, and as a result eight premises were served — ‘The Limes’ and Sandbeck Lodge Farm and Cottages. Only nine houses now remain without a mains supply.

Details of the Public Analyst's report upon the four samples of water taken for chemical examination:—

						Sheffield		Doncaster	
Physical Characters						(a)	(b)	(a)	(b)
Suspended matter						None	None	None	None
Appearance of column 2 ft. long						Clear	Clear	Clear	Clear
						Colourless		Colourless	
Taste						Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal
Odour						None	None	None	None

Chemical Examination						Parts per Million			
Total Solids dried at 180°C						80.0	80.0	220.0	230.0
Chlorides in terms of Chlorine						10.5	10.5	17.0	19.5
Equivalent to Sodium Chloride						17.3	17.3	28.0	32.1
Nitrites						None	None	None	None
Nitrates as Nitrogen						0.50	0.50	5.0	3.75
Poisonous Metals (Lead, etc.)						None	None	None	None
Total Hardness						45.0	36.0	157.0	158.0
Temporary Hardness						15.0	10.0	142.0	137.0
Permanent Hardness						30.0	26.0	15.0	21.0
Oxygen absorbed in 4 hrs. at 80°F						0.58	0.70	0.27	0.35
Ammoniacal Nitrogen						0.008	0.004	0.032	0.004
Albuminoid Nitrogen						0.048	0.040	0.032	0.040
Free Chlorine						None	None	None	None
pH Value						6.9	7.6	7.9	7.5

Milk Supply.

Samples taken for analysis under Food and Drugs Act, 1938	12
Samples found to be adulterated	None
Number of prosecutions	None
Samples of ordinary milk taken for:—	
(a) Methylene Blue Test	None
(b) Presence of tuberculosis	None
Number of milk retailers registered	25
Number of dairies registered	3

The Milk (Special Designation) (Pasteurised and Sterilised Milk) Regulations, 1949.

Number of Licences in force for:—								Dealers	Supplementary
(a) Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	3
(b) Pasteurised	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	5
(c) Sterilised	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	4
Samples obtained of:—									
(a) Tuberculin Tested (Pasteurised)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
(b) Pasteurised	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	-
(c) Sterilised	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	-
Number of inspections made at premises of licensees								4	-
								85	

The Milk (Special Designation) (Raw Milk) Regulations, 1949.

Number of Licences in force for:—								Dealers	Supplementary
(a) Tuberculin Tested	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	3
(b) Accredited	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-
Samples obtained of:—									
(a) Tuberculin Tested	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Satisfactory	Unsatisfactory
(b) Accredited	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	-
Number of Inspections made at premises of licensees								18	

Ice Cream.

Premises registered under Sec. 14, Food and Drugs Act, 1938, for:—									
(a)	Storage and sale of ice cream	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27
(b)	Manufacture of ice cream	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
(c)	Manufacture and sale of ice cream	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Inspections made of such premises		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	89
Samples taken for bacteriological examination—Grade 1		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
"	" " " " " "	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
"	" " " " " "	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
"	" " " " " "	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	-

Iced Lollipops.

Samples taken for bacteriological examination—satisfactory		...	...	...	...	...	...	8
"	" " " " " " unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
"	" " " chemical examination—satisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
"	" " " " " " unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	...	...	-

The chemical analyses showed that in all cases the samples were free from preservatives and from arsenic and other metallic contamination.

Meat and Food Inspection.

Number of surrenders of unsound meat		...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Number of surrenders of unsound foods		...	...	...	...	...	...	27

The following quantity of foodstuffs were surrendered and subsequently destroyed:—
201 Tins and Packets. Total weight: 7 cwts. 1 qr. 7 lbs. 10ozs.

As regards destruction of such foodstuffs, I had an arrangement with the Rotherham Abattoir for the disposal of large amounts of unsound meat at their by-products plant. Other foods were either burned in the kilns of the local brickworks or buried in lime.

Food Premises.

Number of bakehouses in district	3
Underground bakehouses (partly)	1
Inspections made of bakehouses	63
Premises registered under Sec. 14, Food and Drugs Act, 1938, for:—	
(a) Preparation or manufacture of sausages, preserved meat, etc.	9
(b) Preparation or manufacture of fried fish and chipped potatoes	8
Number of industrial canteens	6
„ „ school canteens	7
„ „ cafes	1
Number of visits to food preparing premises	285
	Shops Visits Made
Number of grocers' shops and visits made	12 105
„ „ grocers/greengrocers' shops and visits made	21 164
„ „ greengrocers' shops and visits made	5 42
„ „ wet fish shops and visits made	2 38
„ „ butchers' shops and visits made	11 92
„ „ confectionery shops and visits made	2 16
	— —
Total number of food shops and visits made thereto	53 457

Slaughterhouses.

Number of private slaughterhouses licensed (N.B.—Used only for private pig killings.)		...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Inspections made of such slaughterhouses		...	...	...	...	...	...	16

Sampling.

The Chief Inspector of Weights and Measures reported that in 1953 his staff had taken 11 samples of milk and 8 samples of other foods in this district—all of which were found to be genuine.

Shops Act, 1950—Sections 38 and 71.

Number of visits made under the above Act		...	...	...	...	...	...	194
Unsatisfactory conditions found		...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Unsatisfactory conditions remedied		...	...	...	...	...	...	8

Factories Acts, 1937 and 1948.

Factories where Secs. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 were enforced by L.A. ...	...	...	...	...	2
Inspections made of same ...	...	...	...	...	5
Other factories in which Sec. 7 was enforced by L.A. ...	...	...	...	...	18
Inspections made of same ...	...	...	...	...	69
Defects found (i.e., unsuitable or defective W.C.'s) ...	...	...	...	...	3
Defects remedied ...	...	...	...	...	3

Tents, Vans and Sheds.

Number in district—permanent ...	...	...	...	...	1
Number in district—itinerant ...	...	...	...	...	83
Visits of inspection ...	...	...	...	...	155

Rodent Control.

Properties inspected (i.e., complaint, survey or otherwise) ...	...	...	...	...	588
Infestations dealt with ...	...	...	...	...	29
Properties involved in these infestations ...	...	...	...	...	35

Since the 5th August, 1953, the Department had the services of a Rodent Operator; i.e., for 50% of each working week. The remainder of his time was spent in baling operations at the salvage hut.

West Riding County Council (General Powers) Act, 1951.

Number of registered Hawkers of Food ...	...	...	...	...	27
Number of registered storage premises for Hawkers of Food ...	...	...	...	...	6
Number of visits paid to such premises ...	...	...	...	...	52
Number of registered hairdressers ...	...	...	...	...	9
Number of visits paid to hairdressing establishments ...	...	...	...	...	47

Pet Animals Act, 1951.

Only one application was received and granted for the renewal of a licence to keep a pet shop.

Atmospheric Pollution.

Use of the smoke filter apparatus in my office has been continued and tabulated monthly recordings of the daily readings have been forwarded through the County Medical Officer to the Department of Industrial and Scientific Research.

Licensed Premises.

In pursuance of the survey carried out in the latter part of 1951, the sanitary accommodation of one of the licensed premises was entirely re-designed and re-constructed and is now satisfactory to all requirements. During the year negotiations were commenced with the management of another hotel, but no definite proposals were reached.

Housing Statistics.

Number of dwelling houses in the district ...	...	...	...	...	3,440
Number of back-to-back houses included in above ...	...	...	...	...	-

Inspection of dwellinghouses during the year.

Number inspected for housing defects (under Housing and P.H. Acts) ...	...	...	...	...	344
Number of inspections made for the purpose ...	...	...	...	...	868
Number inspected and recorded under Housing Consolidated Regulations ...	...	...	...	...	-
Number of inspections made for the purpose ...	...	...	...	...	-
Number considered to be unfit for human habitation ...	...	...	...	...	-
Number found not to be in all respects fit for human habitation ...	...	...	...	...	344

Remedy of Defects during year without service of Formal Notice.

Number of defective dwellinghouses rendered fit after informal action ...	...	...	...	...	338
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Action under Statutory Powers during the year.

Houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ...	...	...	...	...	-
Houses rendered fit after service of formal notice:—					
(a) by owners ...	...	...	...	...	-
(b) by Local Authority ...	...	...	...	...	-

Proceedings under Public Health Acts.

Dwellinghouses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	6
Dwellinghouses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice:—	
(a) by owners	6
(b) by Local Authority in default of owners	-

Proceedings under Secs. 11 and 13 of Housing Act, 1936.

Representations, etc., made in respect of dwellinghouses unfit for habitation	1
Dwellinghouses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made	1
Dwellinghouses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	8

(N.B.—Seven of the above houses demolished in pursuance of orders made in 1951.)

Number of New Houses provided during the year.

By the Local Authority—permanent type	103
By Private Enterprise—permanent type	5
Total number of Council Houses in Maltby	1,394

Housing Act, 1949.

Action in connection with Sec. 20, ‘Grants to persons other than local authorities for improvement of housing accommodation’	-
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N.C.B. Property—Improvements, etc.

In view of the fact that much improvement work has been effected to N.C.B. properties since about 1949, I submit herewith a summary thereof. I would point out, however, that the works scheduled below were supplemented by the normal maintenance repairs (including external pointing, painting, etc.).

(a) *Paving of Yards and Forecourts.*

In June, 1949, a survey of yards and forecourts was carried out and the blocks of property were placed in the following categories, viz.:—‘Good’, ‘Fair’, ‘Poor’, ‘Bad’ and ‘Very Bad’. The N.C.B. were duly furnished with a copy of the survey and requested to concentrate upon properties in the three latter categories. Up to 1953 steady progress was maintained, but the rate was curtailed somewhat by a series of circumstances—e.g., the shortage of cement and labour, long periods of inclement weather and the use of the restricted amount of plant on other jobs. However, during 1952 some use was made of asphalt and in 1953 the Board engaged a firm of contractors to continue this practice and step up progress.

Schedule showing the actual progress made each year since re-paving operations commenced in 1949:—

		Yards		Forecourts	
		Concrete	Asphalt	Concrete	Asphalt
1949	...	43	-	8	-
1950	...	89	8	63	8
1951	...	49	51	-	25
1952	...	121	59	85	44
1953	...	20	378	10	502
		322	496	166	579

In the case of the yards and forecourts asphalted in 1953, these have yet to receive the final ‘surfacing’ coat—and this I understand is to be applied in the early part of 1954.

As a result of the above the vast majority of ‘classified’ yards on the survey had been dealt with by the end of the year. However a re-survey will be made in 1954 of the remainder—as some surfaces may have deteriorated since the original survey—and the N.C.B. will be urged to complete the whole of the work.

(b) *Installation of Combination Ranges.*

The N.C.B. commenced in November, 1952, a scheme for the re-placement of old-type kitchen ranges by modern vitreous enamelled combination ranges and given below is a list of those installed by the end of 1953. This list is exclusive of certain isolated cases where the tenants had ranges installed at their own expense prior to the commencement of the scheme.

Devonshire Road	59 houses
Clarence Place	33 „
Cavendish Place	1 „
Grange Lane	28 „
Haslam Place	7 „
Portland Place	38 „
Russell Place	23 „
Salisbury Road	30 „
	219 „

(c) *Provision of Hot and Cold Water and Wash-basins.*

In October, 1952, a start was made in Devonshire Road on this scheme and so far some 50 houses have been serviced, viz. :—

Devonshire Road	...	...	...	26	houses
Salisbury Road	...	...	...	13	„
Cavendish Place	...	...	...	11	„

(d) *Electrification*

Since 1951 a total of 248 houses have been provided with electricity, but the schedule below does not include those where tenants had a supply installed privately.

Byron Road	...	...	...	46	houses
Burns Road	...	...	...	13	„
Carlyle Road	...	...	...	15	„
Cavendish Place	...	...	...	6	„
Coleridge Road	...	...	...	10	„
Devonshire Road	...	...	...	1	„
Drake Road	...	...	...	2	„
Farquhar Road	...	...	...	6	„
Grange Lane	...	...	...	22	„
Haslam Place	...	...	...	20	„
High Street	...	...	...	8	„
Millindale	...	...	...	8	„
Morrell Street	...	...	...	20	„
Muglet Lane	...	...	...	4	„
Norfolk Place	...	...	...	16	„
Salisbury Road	...	...	...	17	„
Scarborough Crescent	...	...	...	3	„
Southey Crescent	...	...	...	25	„
Southey Road	...	...	...	6	„

I may add that, had the Yorkshire Electricity Board not been held up by lack of a sub-station, the whole of the N.C.B.'s Grange Lane Estate would have been completed.

School Health Service.

One thousand one hundred and twenty-eight school children in the Maltby area were medically examined during the year and 180 children with defects were re-examined.

Immunisations and Vaccinations—Maltby.

	Diphtheria Immunisations		Whooping Cough Immunisation		Vaccinations Against Smallpox	
	Protective	Refresher	Protective	Refresher	Protective	Refresher
School Children	1	11	—	—	—	—
Pre-School Children ..	108	1	45	—	19	—
Others	—	—	—	—	2	—
Total ..	109	12	45	—	21	—

Specialist Clinics.

Maltby children attended the following Specialist Clinics:—

Ear, Nose and Throat Clinic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Orthopædic Clinic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29
Ophthalmic Clinic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	291
Pædiatric Clinic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	32
Child Guidance Clinic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Speech Therapy Clinic	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	43

1. Ear, Nose and Throat Clinics were held once per month on the 1st Wednesday at Doncaster Gate Hospital.
2. Orthopædic Clinics were usually held once per month at Rawmarsh Child Welfare Centre. Sessions depended upon the number of cases requiring examination.
3. Ophthalmic Clinics were held every 3rd week for 3½ days at the various Child Welfare Centres.
4. Pædiatric Clinics were held once per month on the 2nd Monday at Maltby Child Welfare Centre.
5. Child Guidance Clinics were held every Friday at the Rawmarsh Child Welfare Centre.
6. Speech Therapy Clinics were held every Monday and Thursday mornings at the Maltby Child Welfare Centre.

Health Visiting.

The two Maltby Health Visitors made 1,702 visits to children under five years of age.

Maltby Infant Welfare Clinic.

Three hundred and fifty-nine children made 2,754 attendances at the Infant Welfare Clinic. Two thousand one hundred and thirty-eight of these attendances were made by 146 children who were under one year of age.

Maltby Ante-natal Clinic.

One hundred and seventy expectant mothers made 996 attendances at the ante-natal clinic. These included a proportion of the institutional midwifery cases as well as women delivered at home by midwives.

Dental Treatment of Expectant and Nursing Mothers.

Twenty-five cases were given dental treatment in Maltby during 1953 by private dentists. Twelve of these were referred by family doctors and 13 by the medical officer at the ante-natal clinic.

Domiciliary Midwives.

The Maltby Midwives attended 164 births as follows:—

Mrs. E. Mozley	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	80
Mrs. S. J. G. Williams (On leave from 12.10.53)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	58
Miss N. A. Harding (Retired August, 1953)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Mrs. L. Powell (Temporary)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4

Thirty-three medical aid notices were issued under the following headings:—

Pregnancy	...	...	...	...	...	1
Labour	...	...	...	...	...	15
Lying-in	...	...	...	...	...	9
The Child	...	...	...	...	...	8

Analgesics in Childbirth.

Number of cases where Gas and Air Analgesia was administered (9 per cent. of the births)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Number of cases where Pethidine was administered (46 per cent. of the births)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	76

Care of the Premature Baby.

Three Sorrento cots were maintained at the Maltby Ambulance Depot and issued for premature babies born at home.

Home Nursing.

Number of cases attended by the Maltby Home Nurses: 524.										
Mrs. Brydone	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	237
Mrs. Hunt	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	141
Mrs. Roebuck	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	136
										514
Number of visits paid: 13,090.										
Mrs. Brydone	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,281
Mrs. Hunt	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,903
Mrs. Roebuck	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,906
										13,090

Ambulance Service.

<i>Vehicles Available</i>				<i>Number of Cases Dealt With</i>			
<i>Maltby Depot</i>							
Ambulances	...	...	3	General Hospitals	...	...	11,156
Ambulance Sitting Cars	...	...	1	Maternity Homes and Hospitals	...	...	564
				Infant Welfare	...	...	1,950

Tuberculosis—Care and After-Care.

Number of patients receiving extra nourishment on 1st January, 1953	...	...	9
Number of patients granted extra nourishment during the year	...	...	6
Number of grants discontinued	...	...	4
Number of patients receiving extra nourishment on 31st December, 1953	...	...	11

Chest Clinic.

The Chest Clinic was held daily at Chatham Street, Rotherham. Cases were seen by appointment.

General.

A stock of wheelchairs, back-rests, etc., was maintained in the Divisional Office for issue to cases requiring nursing at home. Smaller items were held by the Home Nurses.

Mental Health Service.

Twenty males and 21 females were visited by the Mental Health Social Worker in Maltby during 1953.

Mental Health Service—Group Training Class.

The following children and adults attended the Maltby Group Training Class during 1953:			
Under 16 years of Age		Over 16 years of Age	
Males	Females	Males	Females
6	3	4	8

B.C.G. Vaccination.

Six cases in the Maltby district were vaccinated with B.C.G.

Care of the Unmarried Mother and Her Child.

Nine Maltby cases were dealt with under this section.
Eight mothers kept their babies and one baby was cared for by the grandparents.

Home Help Service.

Number of Domestic Helps employed in the Division—63.

Cases provided with domestic help in Maltby during the year:—

										No. of Cases
Maternity (including expectant mothers)	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Tuberculosis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Chronic sick, including aged and infirm	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	38
Others	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Total Cases										72

Laboratory Facilities.

Samples, Swabs, etc., were sent to the Laboratory at the City General Hospital, Sheffield, and to the Public Health Laboratory, County Hall, Wakefield.

Venereal Diseases.

Special Treatment Centres for the Maltby district were held at:—

Address	Days and Hours of Attendance	
	MEN	WOMEN AND CHILDREN
ROTHERHAM No. 12, Frederick Street.	Wednesday 4-30 to 7 p.m.	Wednesday 2 to 4 p.m.
	Friday 9-30 a.m. to 12-30 p.m.	Friday 4 to 6-30 p.m.
DONCASTER Royal Infirmary.	Monday 9 to 12 noon and 2 to 4 p.m.	Monday 4-30 to 7 p.m.
	Thursday 4-30 to 7 p.m.	Thursday 9 to 12 noon and 2 to 4 p.m.

Follow-up visits were made by a Health Visitor specially appointed for the purpose.

Mortuaries.

A mortuary was maintained by the Local Authority in the Maltby district at the Council Offices.

CLINICS HELD AT THE NURSERY HUT, WALTERS ROAD, MALTBY:—

Clinic			Date and Time	Doctor attending
Infant Welfare Clinic	...	...	Mondays 2 — 4-30 p.m.	M. J. Hallinan
Ante-natal Clinic	...	...	Wednesdays 9-30 a.m. — 12-30 p.m. 2 — 4 p.m.	M. J. Hallinan
School Clinic	...	...	Tuesdays and Fridays 9 a.m. — 12 noon	Dr. Gorrie attends first Monday of each month from 9-30 a.m. to 12-30 p.m.
				Person in Charge
Speech Therapy Clinic	...	...	Tuesdays 2 — 4-30 p.m. Thursdays 9-45 a.m. — 12-15 p.m.	Miss M. Fish
Group Traing Class	...	...	Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons	Miss P. M. Richards

MIDWIVES—Maltby Area.

NAME AND ADDRESS										Telephone Number	
MOZLEY, Mrs. E. 4 Rosston Road, Maltby										...	...
WILLIAMS, Mrs. S. J. G. 14 Beech Road, Maltby										...	...

HOME NURSES—Maltby Area.

BRYDONE, Mrs. H. 245 Rotherham Road, Maltby										...	...
HUNT, Mrs. J. 30 Norwood Avenue, Maltby										...	...
ROEBUCK, Mrs. E. 84 Norwood Avenue, Maltby										...	...

HEALTH VISITORS—Maltby Area.

SHILLETO, Miss E.										...	...
TAYLOR, Mrs. D.										...	...
(Part-time Assistant Health Visitor and School Nurse)										62 Broadway East, East Dene, Rotherham.	
										161 Highfield Park, Maltby.	

